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1. SINCE OUR LAST REPORTING, SEVERAL DELEGATIONS FROM WEO GROUP AND THE GROUP OF 77 HAVE APPROACHED THE SECRETARY GENERAL, URGING AND INDEPENDENT SECRETARIAT TO THE AD HOC COMMITTEE ON RESTRUCTURING. AT THE SAME TIME, INTENSIVE PRESSURE HAS BEEN BROUGHT TO BEAR BY NARASIMHAN TO HAVE THE SECRETARY GENERAL ASSIGN THE SECRETARIAT RESPONSIBILITIES TO HIM THIS WEEK SO THAT HIS NEW RESPONSIBILITIES COULD BE KNOWN AT THE MEETING OF THE UNDP PROGRAM WORKING GROUP. WE ARE ADVISED THAT THE SYG IS TILTING TOWARD GEORGE DAVODSON AS THE SENIOR SECRETARIAT REPRESENTATIVE, (AMB. BENNETT HAS EMPHASIZED TO WALDHEIM THE UNACCEPTABILITY TO US OF NARASIMHAN) ALTHOUGH DAVIDSON HIMSELF IS MOST RELUCTANT TO TAKE ON MORE THAN A "MONITORING" FUNCTION. HE WOULD BE SUPPORTED BY A REPRESENTATIVE FROM NARASIMHAN'S OFFICE. WE UNDERSTAND THAT THE IAA OFFICER WOULD BE UNER KIRDAR (TURKEY), WHO WAS THE SENIOR STAFF OFFICER TO THE ORIGINAL

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GROUP OF HIGH LEVEL EXPERTS, AND WHO IS FAVORABLY KNOWN TO USUN.

2. AT THE SAME TIME, THE GOVERNMENT OF GHANA HAS SORTED ITSELF OUT AND HAS FORMALLY ADVANCED AMBASSADOR KENNETH DADZIE FOR CHAIRMANSHIP OF THE AD HOC COMMITTEE ON RESTRUCTURING. WHILE SOME MEMBERS OF THE G-77 FEEL THAT DADZIE IS TOO SOFT AND ALSO TOO RECENTLY REMOVED FROM THE SECRETARIAT ITSELF, OUR READING IS THAT WITH A LITTLE PUSH HE MIGHT BE ELECTED TO THE POST. WE ARE ALSO ADVISED THAT THE GHANAIAAN PERMREP TO THE UN (FRANK BOATEN) IS NO LONGER LUKEWARM TO DADZIE AND IS SUPPORTIVE OF HIS ELECTION.

3. IN THIS SITUATION WE ARE MAKING CLEAR OUR POSITIVE VIEW OF DADZIE ON THE BASIS OF HIS COMPETENCE AND PAST FAVORABLE ATTITUDES TOWARD THE US. (HE RESIDED IN THIS COUNTRY FOR MORE THAN THIRTEEN YEARS). WE BELIEVE THAT EARLY U.S. SUPPORT CAN PROVE EXTREMELY HELPFUL TO HIS CANDIDACY. WE ALSO MAY REAP THE BENEFIT OF TRADE-OFFS ON THE POLITICAL SIDE FOR THIS SUPPORT.
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